(c) Yes, Sir. The entire income of the Churhat Children Welfare Society being exempt from Income-tax for assessment years *1984-85* to *1988-89*, the income arising from the Lottery conducted in aid of the Society was also exempt.

Losses suffered by Cotton Corporation of India on account of fire incidents

2426. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the extent of loss suffered by the Cotton Corporation of India due to fire during each of the last three years and so far during the current year, Statewise;

(b) whether the cotton so lost was insured against fire; if not, upon whom the responsibility has been fixed; and

(c) what steps Government have taken to prevent such losses in future?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR) (a) A Statement is attached. (See below.)

(b) All the stocks of Cotton Corporation of India involved in fire accidents were fully insured against fire.

(c) The Cotton Corporation of India has taken necessary preventive steps and precautions such as provision of fire fighting facilities, provision of underground electric wiring etc.

Statement

Losses suffered by Cotton Corporation of India in fire accident during 1984-85 to 1987-88

(Figures in lakh rupees)

State	1984-85	1985-86	1986-87	1987-88 As on 27-11-87
A.P.	5.17	571.60	0 09	0 20
Karnataka	2.95	312 66	..	..
Gujarat	23.35	31 62	12.24	..
M.P.	59 58	47.01	9 95	..
Punjab	24.67	9 47	1 85	..
Haryana	0 80	0 40	3.21	..
Rajasthan	1.65	1.16	28.74	..
Tamilnadu	3.95	0 25	.	..
Meghalaya.	..	7 32	..	..
West Bengal	..	..	2 32	..
TOTAL :	122.12	981 49	58 40	0.20